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1. During his visit to Berlin for the World Youth Peace Festival which he attended as a prerepresentative of the World Peace Congress (Burma), Thakin LAY MAUNG<sup>1</sup> got in touch with the Soviet youth delegation with the assistance of TUN SHEIN, the accredited representative in Prague of the Burma Communist Party and the underground All Burma Students Union, who was also present at the Festival.
2. The Soviet "authorities" expressed their willingness to receive a delegation of 15 Burmese youths on a visit to Moscow, paying all expenses including traveling expenses in both directions.<sup>2</sup>
3. As a result, Thakin LAY MAUNG, who is still in Europe, has suggested to his contacts in Rangoon that a "Federated Youth League"<sup>3</sup> should be formed in Burma as a preliminary and that a conference on an All Burma basis should be convened as soon as possible to achieve its formation.

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1. [REDACTED] Comment. Thakin LAY MAUNG was the only representative from the opposition groups to travel from Burma to Berlin for the Festival. Because of a delay in documentation and subsequent visa difficulties he did not reach Berlin until 17 August, when the conference was almost over.

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2. [REDACTED] Comment. His friendly reception by the Soviet youth delegation and the Soviet "authorities", whose identity is not clear, contrasts with that experienced by two delegates from the Burma Socialist Party who traveled to Europe unofficially sponsored by the Burmese Government and were in Berlin throughout the Festival. These two delegates, after preliminary discussions with the Soviet Embassy in London, also attempted to arrange a visit to Moscow as part of the "political study tour" on which they were ostensibly sent to Europe. Their request for permission to travel to Moscow, it is understood, was refused.

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3. [REDACTED] Comment. There is so far no sign of any local move to form a "Federated Youth League".

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